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PHILATELIC ACTIVITY PICKS



INTERESTED VISITORS AT THE LIBERIA EXHIBITION recently held at the National Philatelic Museum, Philadelphia are to be seen with Bernard Davis, Museum Director as he showed them through the display. Reading from left to right, are Raymond Pace Alexander, Consul of the Republic of Haiti; Judge Adrian Bonnelly who represented the mayor of Philadelphia; Judge Albert B, Maris; Gabriel L. Dennis, secretary of state of the Republic of Libieria; E. A. Wright, head of the E. A. Wright Bank Note Co.; Mr. Davis and Carlos Banquido, president of the Consul Association of Philadelphia. Photo by Philadelphia Inquirer.

Ambrose Pleads Guilty To One Count; U.S. Will Probably Drop Twenty-One Counts In Stamp Deal

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er of the Baltimore Colts. Close to \$700,000 changed hands in the deals, prosecutors said.

At the request of Defense Atty. Edward Bennett Williams, Judge Schweinhaut allowed Ambrose to remain free on \$2500 bond pending probation officers' investigation. He set no date for sentencing.

sentencing.
Government prosecutors said they agreed to the guilty plea to spare expense of bring 20 to 30 witnesses here from various parts of the country. The trial was expected to last two or three weeks.

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Israel UPU Booklets **Issued January 7**

After a delay of nearly ten months the long awaited booklets containing copies of the Univer-sal Postal Union Commems of Is-rael appeared on January 7.

The original set of UPU commems was of two denominations, 40 and 80 prutah. The design which was common to both pic-tured a leaping stag, the symbol of the Israel Post Office Depart-

ment.
How these two values were disributed in numbers per pane, or panes per book was not revealed in the official announcement coming from Israel.

Czechoslovakia Issues Stamps For World Peace

On January 20, Czechoslovakia issued a set of four propaganda stamps said to be publicity for the Defence of the World Peace.
The 1.50 and the 5Kcs. denominations bore a design picturing the laureate of the World Peace Prize. On the 2 and 3Kcs. is shown the Dove of Peace by Pablo Picasso.

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First day covers and a collec-tion sheet were produced by the Czech Post Office Department.



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New Issues Dissipate Holiday Lull; UPU Fans Have Israel Booklet, Lebanon Souvenir Sheet

Since about December 1, collectors have had little in the way of new stamps, first flights or other commemorative events to whet their interests. Possibly the governments of the world realizing that nearly all of a collector's funds and attention are claimed by the approaching Christmas holidays cut down their stamp production to meet the annual lull in interest and spending money. But the indications are that in the next few months stamp fans will have more than their share of colorful new labels to choose from. Announcement of proposed issues have been made by postal administrations in all parts of the world, including Britain, which country has broken down its ultra-conservative concessions to stamp collectors, to announce the Festival of Britain commems for near mid-year.

Colonies of the British Commonwealth have been active enough, especially those of the West Indies where a conversion from the Pounds and shillings has been going to a decimal dollars and cents. A number of commemorative sets are due from this same area in the next few weeks, at least from fourteen of the colonies, from which stamps are to come honoring the University of the West Indies. These have been tentatively announced for issuance on February I.

It is a table which describes the money terms used in England and its commonwealth.

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From the Philippines, some time this month, are to come three stamps to implement the Peace Fund. Inasmuch as the stamps are not semipostals, the implementing will in all probability come from those collectors who buy mint sets for their albums and do not require the stamps to be used to pay postage fees.

According to the Philippine Bureau of Posts, the stamps will bear a symbolical design showing on the left foreground the figure of a "Cabeza de Barangay" overlooking a vast plain of grains being harvested by peaceful and contented citizens.

On the right foreground is a lovely country maid glowing with health and carrying joyfully an armful of palay stalks. Below her are inscriptions which the whole scene symbolizes, "Community Unity, Strength, Peace and Security".

Denominations, colors and cuantities are as follows: 5 cent. vos green (9,200.000); 6c brown (3,000,000); 18c blue (2,000,000).

As in the past, the philatelic agency will apply a cachet and a special postmark to all first day covers for which they are requested.

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A new item for UPU collectors is the stamp booklet of Israel which was released on January 7. This item had been expected nearly ten months ago when the two denomination set for the UPU had been given a send-off.

Lebanon released a souvenir

Lebanon released a souvenir sheet recently which contains the five stamp designs origin-(Continued on page 11)

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(For a review of the "Annual" see page 6).

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Israel Will Issue

Israel Will Issue
"Officials" In January
Israel will issue its first series of Official Stamps sometime in January. These stamps will be used for the official mail of Government Offices.

There will be four stamps to the series, the 5 prutah stamp in purple, the 15 prutah stamp in salmon, the 30 prutah stamp in ultramarin and the 40 prutah stamp in maroon. The stamps will be of the same design as the First Definitive Series by O. Wallish, and will bear the Hebrew overprint Bul Sherut (Official Stamp). The Post Office sheet will consist of 100 stamps.

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route markings, with check lists of those markings. Many reprints of these articles in pamphlet form have been distributed to collectors asking for them, and all are gone now except a few copies of the SHIP article.

If sufficient reader interest is demonstrated, the author hopes to consolidate the series into a large single handbook for convenient reference. Numerous corrections of fact and of interpretation in the text of the articles are now on file, and the check lists have been made more accurate and more complete by the addition of many earlier and later dates, new colors, new cit later dates, new colors, new cities, and actual new designs of

Before a new publication takes place, the author wishes to make the check lists even more complete than his revised lists now are. He therefore requests the loan of covers, anywhere from a single cover to several hundred, if new markings are found, they will help the lists material. dred. If new markings are found, they will help the lists materially. If they are markings already listed, they will help to establish new colors, new dates, and new cities of use. He will need each lot from a few days to a few weeks, depending on the way sendings accumulate. After photographing and recording the marks, he will return the covers under coupon insurance, unless the owner especially requests registration.

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water are desired.

Although not a part of the same study, the author is also helping to compile a list of "packet markings" (clerk's handstamps and steamboat corner cards) not yet listed in Eugene Klein's work.

Our readers need have no fear for the safety of the careful hands

Our readers need have no fear for the safety of the careful handling and photographing valuable covers. They are kept in a safe when not being worked on. If you have markings coming under these categories, please write Henry A. Meyer, 516 Read St., Evansville 11, Ind.

Cleveland Stamp Club Show At The Hollenden

The 23rd annual stamp exhibition and bourse of the Cleveland Stamp Club will be held February 3 and 4 in the assembly room of the Hotel Hollenden in Cleveland, Ohio.

land, Ohio.

It will consist of an 80 frame exhibit of both competitive and invitational material. Members will vie for the Cleveland Stamp Club trophy for the best in the show. The Klippstein trophy will be given for the best specialized exhibit.

exhibit.

Charles Orgel, general chairman, is assisted by Hans Tonne, exhibition chairman, Emmett Ong, bourse chairman and Walter Siebert, publicity chairman. Mrs. Blanche Quinn will be in charge of registration and Floyd Bright-bill is the welcoming chairman.

1000th Member For Garfield-Perry

At the January 5th meeting of the Garfield Perry Stamp Club, Cleveland, Ohio, a ceremony was held in connection with the acceptance of member No. 1000. Judge Donald Lybarger presided at the ceremony and presented William Dyer, Cleveland Heights with a with the suitable with the sui land Heights, with a suitable in-scribed memento for the occas-ion. GP, in its 61st year, be-lieves that it is the first Club to accept 1000 different mem-

Nelson P. LaGanke, who sponsored Mr. Dyer's membership, was also pleasantly surprised when presented with a similar memer.to by Lybarger.

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requesting the application of the cachet. Space approximately 2½ by 2½ inches to the left on the address side of all covers is required for the cachet.

No provision will be made for point-to-point covers. However, at request of collectors, covers receiving cachet will be given directional service only to an office designated by the General fice designated by the General Superintendent, Postal Transportation Service, and served by the first flight in each direction, and will there be backstamped and dispatched onward to destination. tination.

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In Stampic Battle

According to the Pittsburgh Press, the battle of the postage stamps entered a new phase when on December 6, Francis Ott, philatelist-dealer sued Rosenbaum Co., Pittsburgh, Pa. department store for \$575,000.

Earlier the department store had filed a judgement against Mr. Ott, who had rented space in the store from 1939 to 1944, to sell stamps. The amount was \$28,458.

In his counter suit filed December 5 through his attorney, Mr. Ott charges:

That he leased space in the store in December, 1939, for which the rental was 15 per cent of gross sales up to \$30,000, 12½ per cent up to \$50,000 and a first 12 per cent up to \$50,000 and a

or gross sales up to \$50,000 and a flat 12 per cent up to \$50,000.

However, the suit charges the company wanted a bigger volume and advanced him money to purchase a larger inventory of stamps, which he was to later repay out of sales.

When the store filed its judgment against him, Mr. Ott de-

ment against him, Mr. Ott de-clared, it was a violation of con-tract, and interfered with his stamp business to the amount of \$200,000.
The contract breach is worth

The contract preach is worsh \$75,000 and the remaining damage to him worth \$300,000 for loss of good name and confidence making a total of \$575,-

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Selling Stamps Is Big Business

You might think that I mean the sale of stamps by stamp dealers, but selling stamps starts much before the stamps get to the dealers. Back fifty years ago we considered the stamp dealer as about the only person who sold stamps but all that is changed today.

Today the selling of stamps goes back even farther than the original issue of the stamps. Governments all over the world have become so conscious of the stamp collector that stamps are even planned and designed to intrigue him. After that part of the production of an issue is completed then the governments get busy with propaganda to sell the stamps to the collector.

This propaganda is managed by supplying publications devoted to stamp collectors with either photographs of new stamps to come, printed pictures of them, even sometimes in natural colors and by other Our own government or Post Office De-

partment is far behind many of the European Governments in this respect. Let us just look at what is done in various coun-

tries.

Here in America I believe we were about the first to establish what is called a Philatelic Agency, where selected copies

of all stamps are available for the collec-This Agency at Washington handles several million dollars worth of business every year from stamp collectors. The sale of first day covers is exploited by the use of special cancellations for these stamps and covers. The Department supplies advance copies of photographs of new stamps which are sent to stamp papers, newspapers with stamp columns and to foreign sources in order to get publicity for the new stamps before their issue.

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Austria has for some time past been supplying proofs printed in black of new stamps that are to appear for many of its issues. The Agency in Hungary even goes so far as to send out sample sets of new stamps to the stamp publications. As a further effort to create good will and sell stamps, the Hungarian Agency at the close of last year prepared a very handsome desk calendar with a beautiful illustration in color of a scene in Budapest and a 52 page weekly and daily calendar for Memo. and daily records. This was a very fine piece of work and must have cost if produced in this country, about a dollar per copy. This is all done with a view to creating good will and looking toward the sale of Hungarian New Issues. Switzerland usually sends prints in natural colors of new stamps to be issued. land usually sends prints in natural colors of new stamps to be issued.

Great Britan shows its interest in exploiting stamps for collectors by its issue of the Silver Wedding stamps wherein the set of two values were usually a single stamp of low value and another stamp of either ten shillings or one pound. Wholly unnecessary, but the officials behind the issue knew that they could depend on an extensive sale to stamp collectors who would never use the stamp for postage, thus the collector paid for the production of the entire issue and gave them a profit besides.

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Many of the Latin American countries are going after business in this country. Some direct, others through the Pan American Union in Washington, where all their current stamps are available in any quantity to stamp collectors and stamp dealers at face value. The collector is a very considerate fellow. He will go along with all of these plans so long as the game is played fair but when the handling of these stamps gets into the hands of unscrupulous people who make short issues and turn them over to favored persons as has been done with some issues in the past such as Liberian issues, then the collector begins to feel concerned and the reputation of any country can be badly injured. country can be badly injured.

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There has been considerable thought recently due to the world situation which leads collectors to urge the blacklisting of stamps from Iron Curtain Countries. Our own experience leads us to believe that we can best let the collector collect what he wants. If the going gets tough enough many will drop these countries, but if they do, they will go after them after the war is over as witness the great popularity of German issues today.

Speaking of stamps from Iron Curtain Countries Mr. Stiles states that these countries issued 550 varieties during the year, almost 25% of the total for the world. Russia 130 varieties, Hungary 93 varieties, Communist China seventy-eight and so on. Unquestionably some of these stamps were due to inflation in money, especially in China, but on the other hand a very good number of them were issued with

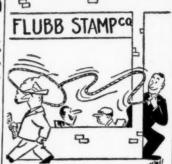
these stamps were due to inflation in money, especially in China, but on the other hand a very good number of them were issued with

a thought to obtaining American dollars.

Thus we should recognize the fact that selling stamps starts away back before they ever get to the stamp dealer. You the collector, are the market that these various governments are thinking about and your likes and dislikes reflect on the stamp issues of the

It is for this reason that we have so often urged that the leading stamp societies should take an interest in watching these things and should take steps to check the questionable issues. The governments of the world will listen to and consider such objections that may be made for they are wise enough to know that the consumer, the stamp collector, is the man that must be pleased and we mean consumer for in many instances a heavy percentage of the issue is sold right here in America. We have in our files a photostat of a letter addressed to a Nassau Street Dealer wherein it is proposed that 90% of a certain Hungarian issue is to be supplied this dealer. It ought not be hard for you to figure out how many of the stamps may have involved in Hungarian circulated in Hungary.





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Cape Triangles Subject Of New Book

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We are somewhat confused as to whom to credit with publication of this splendid new volume but note the name of H. R. Harmer Ltd., 39-42 New Bond St., London W.1, England, on the Jacket as well as on the inside title page, yet the copy sent us for review comes with the compliments of Harris Publications, Ltd., 445 Strand, London, W.C.2, England. Collectors wanting a copy can doubtless get it from either address. The price is 63 shillings.

either address. The price is 63 shillings.

Binding is in black cloth, stamped in gold and of 142 pages, printed on fine quality antique paper from most excellent typography and with illustrations that are out of this world. Four full page plates illustrating all the Cape Triangles in singles and some in pairs, including the rare wood block errors, all done in the natural color of the various stamps, makes

rors, all done in the natural color of the various stamps, makes this a book that will always be remembered. Who knows, future years may well find some of these illustrations floating around among collectors and dealers who know no better and offered as the genuine stamps. We have seen similar productions of other stamps which fared that well.

Mr. Stevenson has done himself proud in this work which deals with a mere dozen triangle stamps plus the two well known errors and some varieties of shade and color. Besides the plates in color there are numerous plates illustrating singles, pairs and blocks of the stamps together with enlargments of the plates that distinguish the bet-

together with enlargments of the points that distinguish the betpoints that distinguish the better known varieties as well as hundreds of lesser varieties that will give the real student an unlimited field for study. Even with the splendid work that Mr. Stevenson has done he modestly admits that there are many others.

Stevenson has done he modestly admits that there are many other points that need clearing up. I could not say better what is said on the inside of the jacket of this book and I will quote that. "All collectors and dealers interested in the Triangular Stamps of Cape of Good Hope will find this book an absolute necessity."

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eries that are now revealed will astonish even advanced specialists. They include, in the engraved issues, the separation of the ONE-PENNY dies, identification of constant marks and reentries (some of great rarity), and die inversions. Mrs. Stevenson's researches will set collectors seeking the new rarities among the 'commoner' engraved Triangulars."

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Our own collection which consists of a little over 100 copies including all varieties except the two errors has already taken on an added interest as we compare it with this new book and we it with this new book and we know what you who get a kick out of nice stamps will find this a most fascinating addition to your library.—G. W. L.

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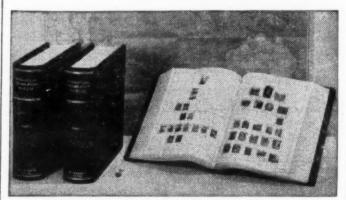
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This issue is in the new decimal currency and during the time that this set is on sale, the University College Commemorative set should be released. Inasmuch as both of these sets are in decimal currency, and other values are in shilling and pence, it is anticipated that a complete new decimal currency issue will be released soon.

GRENADA. As previously announced, the new definite issue in decimal currency was released on January 8 and all stamps of the superceded issue were vithdrawn from sale at the close of business on January 6th 1951. The value of the Grenada dollar is 4/2 or about 67c.

PITCAIRN ISLANDS. Printing has been ordered for two

pircairn islands. Printing has been ordered for two new values to be added to the current issue, a 4 pence, black vignette/green border and 8 pence, green vignette and purple border. The design of the 8 pence features the recently completed school, built with funds realized from the sale of postage stamps to collectors. stamps to collectors.

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The design of the 4 pence features the Bible from H. M. S. Bounty. This Bible was recently returned to Pitcairn after 111 years. Mrs. Chester E. Frowe of Honolulu started the search for this holy book in 1941. When the men of the Bounty mutinied in 1789 and put their captain William Bligh adrift in a boat, the Bible remained on board and was taken to the mutineer's hideout on Pitcairn Island. Mrs. Frowe read in 1941 that the Bounty Bible converted the mutineers and turned the Islanders to a religious life—but—the Bible was gone and no one knew where it was.

Bible was gone and no one knew where it was.

In 1946 Mrs. J. Francis Saunders found the Bounty Bible dusty and stained in the attic of the Connecticut Historial Society in Hartford. Letters inside the Bible said it had been brought to New England in 1939 by a traveler who had visited Pitcairn. cairn.

cairn.

The Bible was eventually sent to England in January 1949 where the worn pages were patched up and the book covered with leather and was presented to Warren S. Christian, Chief Magistrate at Pitcairn on February 22, 1949. At the ceremonies, Fletcher Christian, a great, great grandson of one of the mutineer leaders said "This book has saved us from growing up to be a band of heathens."

CANADA. This country has

CANADA. This country has recently issued a new 10c and 50c stamp and on February 1 will release a new design of a dollar stamp. These three are part of a complete new series and the other values are expected to be released from time to time during 1951.



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In the list of authorized offices, that may use precancels, released in October, was the town of Locanto, Florida. I am told that this office is not listed in the postal guide. Quite often when we mention something like this in LINN'S some reader in the town, or nearby, can shed some light on the situation and this is what we are asking at this time. this is wh this time.

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form.

Several of the collections I saw were housed in a regular U. S. printed album for singles. Of course if you went into the real old issues and had to save them on covers to prove their identity or authenticity as a precancel then a loose leaf album would be more practical.

I believe if more U. S. collectors especially those who are

I believe if more U. S. collectors especially those who are well along on their collections could see a nice synoptic collection that there would be more of this type. A lot of collectors probably have a good start in their duplicates now.

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by William Schneider

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Being fortunate enough to be a subscriber to Linn's Weekly Stamp News for the past few years, I read in the publication some months ago, a story which told of a rumor that someone had found one sheet with the orange 10c stamp missing. This rumor had caused many collectors and dealers to break open their sealed packs and search for such an error.

I was no exception, and one quiet evening a week ago, when I didn't feel like working on my own stamp collection, I dug up my pack of CIPEX sheets, broke the seal and started thumbing through them.

through them.

About half way through, I suddenly saw something that gave me goosepimples. There in front of me was a CIPEX sheet with the lower right hand corner elongated and folded over the sheet, covering about half of the orange stamp. I knew it was folded over after the printing and gumming operations, because none of the design was on the back. It must have escaped the eyes of the inspectors just before the cutting and trimming process.

process.

Then it suddenly hit me that this must be one of the corner panes, and wasn't it possible that one of the plate numbers, perhaps both blue and orange numbers, usually trimmed away, were to be found on this huge piece of margin which escaped

were to be found on this huge piece of margin which escaped the knife!

My wife and two children came running at my yells. I hurriedly explained the possibility to them, we all said a stamp collector's prayer, and I slowly unfolded the cancerous flap.

Alas, there was no number there, just plain blank, white space—all I had was a folded freak. But I'm told this is rare in this issue, so I feel I have a good one.

Besides, after thinking it over, I imagine the plate numbers are under or over a center pane in the large sheet of 30 panes, which is how they were printed before being cut and trimmed into single panes. Therefore, in order for a CIPEX plate number to be seen attached to one of the panes, a whole row of panes would have to be folded over before going into the cutting machine, something beyond one's wildest dreams.

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232	30	Green			.60	.80	.40	.55	.65
233	4c	Ultra	*********	90	3.20	1.50	.12	.16	.20
234	5c	Chocolate		90	1.10	1.40	.12	.15	.22
235	6c	Purple		90	1.20	1.50	.50	.65	.85
236		Gagenta			.75	.90	.15	.20	.25
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The Philatelic and Numismatic Services wish hereby to make aware collectively all those friends who inquired with their New York office of this information. mation.

The Services regret the incon-venience resulting out of erroneous reports.

Bostonians Ready 60th Anniversary Plans

Members of the Boston Phila-

Members of the Boston Philatelic Society are already looking forward to the 60th anniversary celebration of the founding of the group since the committee assigned to the 'ask of whipping up an appropriate program report everything going well.

The actual date is February 18. Due to the fact that travel throughout New England is sometimes made difficult because of the weather the Society has selected a tentative April date. It was felt that since many of the collectors of the area would want to come to Boston for the event a time should be selected which would be more favorable to travel.

Reservations are now being taken for a "Home Style Dinner" by Henry Schuhmacher, 11 S. Fairview St., Roslindale, Boston 31, Mass. Mr. Schuhmacher states that because present arrangements are still tentative those making reservations will not be obligated to keep them.

Opens Stamp Store In Santa Ana, California

A new stamp store which is A new stamp store which is stocked to supply collectors with stamps, covers, albums and accessories has been opened by Harry Rickard at 316 W. Fifth St., Santa Ana, Calif.

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WHAT ARE AMG'S by Harry Cass

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Government."

The Allied Military Government was created to establish civil rule and order out of the chaotic inditions left in the wake of our victorisus progress. Naturally one of the normal necessities in a stable civilian economy is the mails, which therefore came under the A. M. G. authorities control.

New stamps had to be created

New stamps had to be created to replace the stamps that were in use at the time the Allied Armies gained control. For obvious reasons the stamps in use at that time could not and were not used. Therefore Military postage stamps in various decreases. tage stamps in various denominations and designs were designed and printed by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and Engraving and Printing and made a silable by the Treasury Department for use in Italy, France, Germany and Austria.

These stan.ps were primarily

issued for the use of the Civilian populations in Allied occupied and liberated countries. They fulfilled all the duties of any regular issued postage stamp under normal conditions.

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The first of these A. M. G. issues were completely processed by the U. S. Bureau of Engrav-

ing and Printing, however an ever increasing need for these stamps necessitated additional printings to augment the Bureau's output. These were made in London, England, and Brunswick Germany. wick, Germany.

Three of the A. M. G. issues were printed locally as they were needed, namely, Naples, A. M. G.-V. G. and A. M. G.-F. T. T., in fact for lack of time and for economy the Italian stamps were overprinted locally.

It is important to bear in mind that from it's conception, the Al-lied Military Government is and as an agency of the American and British Governments, manned by nationals of both countries and at all times backed by the armed might of beth these governments.

At all times a long as these A. M. G. stamps were and are in use, the locales where they originate or were mailed were always governed by the Occupa-tion Authorities of the United States and Great Britain, name-ly the A. M. G.

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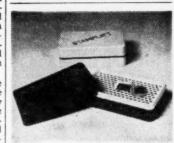
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This week I am in receipt of beautiful" sentiments from two "beautiful" sentiments from two
of the men who worked very
hard and untiringly for the issuance of the "Casey Jones"
commem. One is Dewey D.
Crocker responsible for the lion's
share of the efforts to get the
stamp printed, the other, E. A.
Billingsley, secretary of the Andrew Jackson Stamp Club which
group was also vitally interested
in it. in it.

Both men are residents of Jackson, Tennessee, the first day city, and home of Casey Jones. They sent their votes in cacheted first flight covers when service was inaugurated at Jackson on AM-107 on January 9.

From Mr. Billingsley, "Greet-

on AM-107 on January 9.

From Mr. Billingsley, "Greetings from the home of Casey Jones stamp. The "Worst Designed' and 'Most Unnecessary' stamp in existence. Despite your opinion and persecution we put it over and it proved a very popular stamp." (If you are thrilled and happy over your stamp, Mr. Billingsley, that's fine. I think being happy is one of the most important things in life. Don't let the freely given votes of the nation's stamp collectors who called their shots as they saw them, give you shots as they saw them, give you

any ulcers).

And from Mr. Crocker, "Please accept this cover in appreciation for your untiring efforts in be-half of the Casey Jones stamp." (Aw, shucks, ya shouldna done it Dewey, at least the color isn't

so bad). It is to be regretted that we do not have more go-getters in the hobby like the Messrs. Crocker and Billingsley. These fellows did a fine job not only in convincing the Post Office Department that such a stamp was proper, but they got the folks in their home town steamed up on the project.

Last April 29, Jackson, Tenn. was capital of the nation as far as these stamp collectors were concerned. They did the thing up in royal style—both from the civic as well as the philatelic standpoints.

And incidentally, thanks for the covers fellows. It is to be regretted that we

the covers fellows.

1. Fill in the following spaces:
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I believe the Post Office Department, which has been rather scrupulous in giving collectors fine treatment whenever possifine treatment whenever possible, is open to some adverse criticism. They didn't publicize the fact that the post office established at the United Nations Secretariat Building, 42nd St. and 1st Ave., New York City, percent for business on Innuary. opened for business on January 3, 1951.

Ordinarily the opening of an-Ordinarily the opening of another station in the New York City area would provoke little if any attention. But in this case, where collectors have been anxiously awaiting the inauguration of the postal service in the brand new UN Building, such an oversight is not excusable.

This station has a distinguish-

This station has a distinguishing postmark which uses the wording "UNITED NATIONS" in the same way the town name is used otherwise in a first class cancellation. This postmark was cancellation. This postmark was cancellation. first used on January 3, and I am sure that a lot of collectors would have liked to have been on the ground floor to obtain such an item which might be the first of a UN Collection of the future.

As yet there are no special

UN sponsored stamps for sale there. Customers are sold United States stamps only. They can also buy post... stationery, post-al notes and money orders the same as at any other post office. Parcel post and registered mail are also handled.

There will be no service at the station on Saturdays and Sun-time to station on Saturdays and Sun-time to station on Saturdays and Sun-time to station of the fact that a number of states upped their hunting license fees considerably.

Sales in the District of Columbia, which is synonomous with "Philatelic Agency" amounted to 9207. Possibly the sale to stamp collectors through local post offices didn't total more than twice that quantity which

station on Saturdays and Sundays, but on the other five days of the week it operates from 9 station

of the week it operates from a. m. to 5. p. m.

On the opening day, the dedication ceremonies were attended by prominent member delegates of the United Nations as well as officials of the Post Office Department and the New York City Post Office.

of the commemorative One stamps to be expected this year is that to mark the final annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans.

A lot of pressure was put on the Post Office Department in 1949 for a UCV stamp. The De-partment agreed to do so finally but in the next few weeks abandoned the idea.

doned the idea.

1949 was the year when the commem was released for the final encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic at Indianapolis.

When it was learned in Washington that the 1949 meeting of

ington that the 1949 meeting of the UCV was not its last, the agreement to issue a stamp was withdrawn.

withdrawn.

This year from May 30 to June 1 the final reunion of the Confederate veterans will be held at Norfolk, Virginia. It is expected that possibly six of the surviving twenty members might be able to make the trip. That would be twice the number who showed up at last year's affair

would be twice the number who showed up at last year's affair at Biloxi, Miss.

Since the Post Office Department has pledged its word that a stamp would be issued when the final reunion of the UCV was held, you can bet your pretiest nickel that this is the year. First day will no doubt be at Norfolk on May 30.

Those of you with the urge to spread a little cheer and hap-

piness might be interested in the next few lines. Mrs. S. A. Goodwin because of her splendid work with the juniors, and her unselfish ef-forts in behalf of the senior stamp club, was elected president of the

forts in behalf of the senior stamp club, was elected president of the senior group last fall. Things were looking pretty good all around. Then not so long ago, on one of those icy, winter days she slipped on the glassy pavement breaking both legs. That was bad enough, but at the same time she aggravated a previous injury to her spine which in total called for some lengthy hospitalization.

She will be at the Sistersville Hospital, Sistersville, West Virginia for some time yet nice and snug in one of those heavy plaster casts. No doubt she'll have plenty of time to pass with stamps, and reading notes of encouragement and get well cards from warm hearted individuals.

The Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior has released the statistics relative to the sale of "Duck" stamps for the fiscal year July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950. It shows that there were fewer of them sold than in the previous year. The grand total, including the territories and the District of Columbia was 1,954.734.

It is probable that the decline in sales was brought about somewhat by the fee which was increased to \$2 from \$1. Also affecting the sale of the stamp which had to be used in conjunction with a state hunting The Fish and Wildlife Service

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California had the highest to-tal sale with 168,950 with Min-nesota, Texas, Illinois and Wis-consin following in that order.

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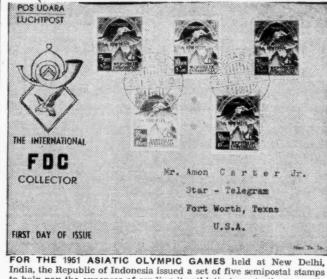
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BELGIUM—A seven value anti-tuberculosis set has been reported. The stamps were released Dec. 20, and will continue on sale until Feb. 18—remaining valid until Sept. 30. Values are: 20c plus 5c., flower; 65c plus 10c., brown flower; 90c plus 10c., flower; 120c plus 30c., flower; 1.75fr. plus 25c., Susele Sanitorium; 4fr. plus 2fr., Juache Sanitorium, and 8f. plus 4f., Tombeek Sanitorium.

COLOMBIA—We note the issuance of a three value set, all of the 5c. denomination, showing farm life. One was printed in blue, the second in green and the third in red. Another new stamp reported is a 2c., red, with portrait of Antonio Baraya. BELGIUM-A seven value an-

aya.

. COLOMBIA—Two high denomination stamps have been released. One, a 5 Pesos green bears the coat of arms of the capital city, Bogota, as its design. The 10 Pesos orange bears the national cast of arms.

sign. The 10 Pesos orange bears the national coat of arms.

GERMANY—Russian Zone—
Ernest Rietschel notes receipt of four stamps to mark the "Fight for Peace". Values are reported to be 6pf. purple, 8pf. brown, 12pf. blue and 24pf. orange-red. An upraised arm protects a dove with olive branch from a tank (6pf.), building ruins (8pf.), atom bomb (12pf.) and mass graves (24pf.).

LEBANON—The Tribune

graves (24pf.).

LEBANON — The Tribune
Stamp Co. has reported the issuance of a souvenir sheet to
mark the 75th anniversary of
the Universal Postal Union, with
appropriate inscriptions. Each
sheet contains copies of five
stamps—three postage and two
airmail.

MACAO—New colors een assigned to seven of been current designs in the regular postage series. These are now—1 avo lilac, 2a yellow, 3a orange, 8a gray, 10a brown, 30a blue and

8a gray, 10a brown, 30a blue and 50a green.

PHILIPPINES — A set of stamps for the peace fund is to appear in January—the designs being symbolical with a figure of "Cabeza de Barangay" looking over harvested plains.

SAN MARINO—New special delivery stamps have been reported by Pierson Ostrow. One is a 60 lire, rose, showing a view of San Marino (Scott's SD4), and the other has a winged Pegasus er has SD5). winged (Scott's

Mr. Ostrow calls attention to an apparent change in San Mar-

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This is in sharp contrast with former years, when commemorative and special sets appeared in profusion.

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SYRIA—New stamps for regular postage and for airmail have been released. In the former category there are six denominations, four in the latter. Shown on the 50c brown and the 2.50 pink is a design similar to the national coat of arms. to the national coat of arms.
The 10p violet and the 12.50p
green have a rural scene while
the 25p blue and the 50p black
carry a picture of the main post
office in Damascus.
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One design is common to the four airs. It is a view of the port of Latakia taken from the air. Denominations and colors are 2.50 violet, 10p light blue, 15p brown and 25p blue.

U. S. NOTES (Continued from page 8)

of that year. The accident happened at one of the railroad crossings in Chicago.

Her attorney was Alexander Sullivan who in searching the police record of the accident found a postal card which had been written to Police Chief Hubbard by a young citizen of the community. This man had been an eye witness of the accident, and he wrote to the police denouncing the carelessness of the road in guarding the 37th St. crossing where the accident happened. happened.

happened.

Up to this point the evidence looked very poor for Mrs. Keane but the discovery of this witness changed the whole aspect of affairs. Mr. Sullivan hunted him up, through him found other witnesses, and after a hot fight with the railroad company in Judge Clifford's court ob-

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of issues.
Still to be heard from with
UPU issues are Guatemala, Honduras and Uruguay all three of which have announced their tentions to issue some kind postal paper commemorating event, now going on two years old.

Of the Nicaragua UPU set of 18 stamps and 18 souvenir sheets with the small printing and the high face value, rumors are current that these are being quietly bought up wherever offered to corner them. It remains to be seen whether current offerings of them, which have been few

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ing newspapers.

Five pairs of the stamps will be released in five different months. One of them will have a face value of 24 yen and a printing of 500,000, and the other a yen and a production of ten times as many, 5,000,000.

In February ill appear stamps with designs of Zao-zan mountain and Kintai-bashi. April will see the release of designs picturing the Plain of Nihon-Daira, and the Ujirawa River.

The forty-eight fall of the Akame and the seashore, Tomogashima of Wakano-ura come in June. August will have stamps with lakes Suganuma and Marunuma, as well as the city of Na-

numa, as well as the city of Na-gasaki. Finally, the last two will appear in October with one showing the Shousen-kyo Gorge and the other the Hakone Hot Spring.

Since the splurge of activity in November and December, Highway Post Office activity has been none at all. And for the time being there seems to be no routes ready for inaugura-

First flights of airmail, either first flights of airmall, either domestic or foreign, have been scarce. With more temperate weather, it c be expected that collectors will have action.

The news of greatest interest, what the United States will produce in the way of commemora-tives for 1951, is still not avail-able. It is supposed that the greater share of the present year's commems will be devoted to memorializing Famous Ameri-cans who missed out on the ormemorializing Famous Americans who missed out on the original issue of 1940.

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